

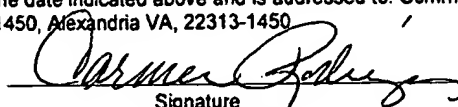
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In re Application of:  
Frederic M. Newman

Serial No.: 09/839,103

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For: A METHOD OF MANAGING BILLING  
INFORMATION AT A WELL SITE

Group Art Unit: 3624

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 24, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA, 22313-1450.

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated February 24, 2005, for which the three-month date for response is May 24, 2005.

No fees are believed to be due at this time. Should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Deposit Account No. 01-2508/13526.0028.NPUS00. Applicant's representative authorizes the Commissioner to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2508/13526.0028.NPUS00.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.